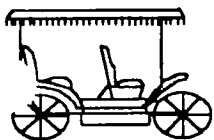
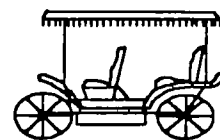


THE S.A.R.C.



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CLUB NETS

EACH TUESDAY 20:00Hrs. local time 147.34/147.94Mhz.
EACH SUNDAY 20:00Hrs. local time 28,675 Mhz.

MEETING

The next General Meeting of the Surrey Amateur Radio Club will take place on WEDNESDAY DEC. 4th, 1991 at NEWTON JUNIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL 132nd, St. and 64th, Ave. Surrey at 1930 hrs. Local time. Please make an effort to attend. Bring a guest

I have been asked by several of our members to expand on the article concerning the S.S.R.G. Repeater in last months Communicator. Rather than give you my interpretation of the subject I will print the text of the letter in question on page 2 of this issue,. Members will then know the reason for the delay in the installation.

Further to the above, regarding the S.S.R.G. Repeater. On Wed Nov.20th, the repeater and duplexer will be available for inspection by the members of the S.A.R.C. Why not try to attend and bring your 2 metre hand-held along, it will be an interesting meeting.

NEXT MEETING

The programme for the next meeting will be a video presentation of a DX-pedition to Curacao organized by a group of Finnish hams. The video is professionally done and very interesting and shows just what organizing a DX-pedition entails and covers all the things that can be achieved working on a budget of only \$350,000. and using a call of PJ9W during the 1990 CQ world wide DX Contest. We shall also finalize the Xmas Dinner details.

The following is a copy of a letter sent to the District of Surrey by the R.C.M.P. I think the letter is self explanatory.

91 OCTOBER 07

CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF SURREY
PERMITS AND LICENCES DEPARTMENT
14245 - 56th. Avenue
SURREY, B.C.
V3X 3A2

Attn.: Mrs. Kathy Camporese

RE.: PROPOSED AMATEUR RADIO REPEATER INSTALLATION

I have been informed that the Surrey Amateur Radio Club is planning to install a VHF Repeater at the Surrey Municipal Hall. This system will be a 60 watt repeater with a 9 db gain antenna, on a 40' tower operating frequency TX 147.340 Mhz - RX 147.940 hz (frequency is not co-ordinated for this location). The previous applicant Mr. Mike Holley, phone # 534-6466 was turned down by D.O.C The RCM Police Communications System is nearby and we would not be able to tolerate any harmful radio interference or desensitization to our radio receiving equipment in view of the high effective radiated power.

(N.S. LIPSETT) Insp.
OIC Communications Services
"E" Division
657 West 37th Avenue
Vancouver, B.C.
V5Z 1K6

THE LETTER WAS SIGNED BY D.Ratcliffe S/Sgt./for Insp. Lipsett

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(My comments re the accuracy of the specs were published in last months Communicator) VE7DK.

FIELD DAY 1991

Just read the results of the 1991 Field Day. As you all are probably aware, the Club entered in Class 3A, Which is 3 transmitters operating simultaneously and using battery power. Our score was 947 QSO's using less than 150 Watts and with 16 participants all of whom were Club Members. our final score including bonus points was 3,268 points which placed our Club number 3 in Canada in category 3A. Quite a good effort and I would again like to thank the people who helped make the weekend fun. Next year will be better, and hopefully some of the newer hams will participate.

YOU ASKED FOR IT.....!!!!

All of us, from time to time, have questions about our hobby. Some of us are reluctant openly to ask for help.

A designated panel of members has agreed to try to answer such queries. This panel may require help from those of you with a particular area of expertise.

Submit your problems or comments, on paper, no I.D. is required, by whatever method preferred and the panel will respond, time permitting, at each general club meeting. Initiation of this programme took place at the November 6th meeting. It was gratifying to note the lively interest shown, plus lots of input by members present. Which is exactly what we are looking for. Many thanks for your participation.

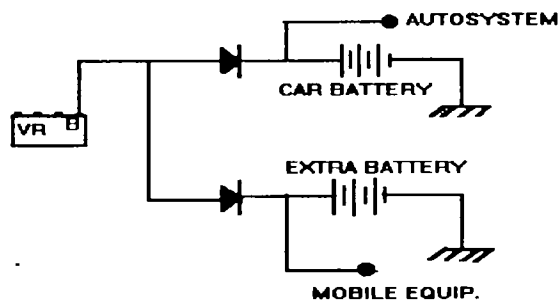
The main Nov.6th topic is outlined below: there were other questions submitted but time constraints made us postpone responses 'til next time. They will be answered.....Thanks for asking.

THE QUESTION:

"How do I isolate the cars electrical system from the mobile gear?"

An extra battery is required to power only the mobile equipment. The car battery serves only the car system. Both batteries are charged from the car charging system via the Silicon Diodes. The diodes effectively prevent feedback. Diodes, (70 amp 50piv) must be mounted on an adequate insulated heat sink and isolated from ground.

It may be necessary to advance the Voltage Regulator by 1 volt due to the 0.7v drop across each diode. You can of course purchase such an "isolator" pack but its fun to roll your own. Should the commercial unit fail, repairing it is almost impossible due to encapsulation.



VE7EYF

I have been made aware that some local hams are operating their stations without regard to the class of certificate that they hold. these hams have the Basic Certificate but are operating on frequencies not authorized, namely 14Mhz. and 28Mhz. It was quite difficult to obtain the Basic but it is much easier to lose it.

We as amateurs are to a great extent self policing.

Who knows what could happen.!

Nuff Said.

If God had really intended man to fly, He would have made it much easier for him to get to the airport.

I assume that the membership has forgotten that we have a net on 28.675Mhz. each Sunday at 20:00 hrs. On Nov.10 only 3 were on frequency, VE7EYF, VE7AZK and VE7DK. Please try to get on the air.

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD NOV 6th 1991

The meeting was called to order at 1944 hrs, with 23 members and a guest present.

The members were asked if all had received copies of last months minutes via the "Communicator" apparently all present received their copies. A comment was made regarding the membership list that was sent out that initials rather than first names were shown. Dennis VE7DK said that the list that was sent out was the club mailing list and that the revised membership list would indeed show first names.

It was asked that the minutes as published be accepted and after some discussion Karl VE7EWF moved adoption, Bob VE7FWZ seconded, all present voted in favour of acceptance.

The Treasurer Roland VE7IDM then presented his report on the Club financial position which indicated a balance of \$4242.92 Roland moved for acceptance, Kjeld VE7CJR seconded, the report was accepted.

With reference to the Flea market Roland mentioned that future Flea Markets be held in a larger building.

There was no correspondence received this month.

Ivar VE7EYU was unable to attend the meeting, therefore a Health and Welfare report was not available, however it was stated that Len VE7SLC was recovering from some kind of Flu Bug attack and that Cliff VE7FVO was expecting to visit the hospital shortly for further treatment. Brian VE7BJ is keeping fairly well but still some problems with his hearing. On behalf of Ken VE7EZV, Dennis asked for operators to help with the New Westminster Santa Claus Parade again and that 5 or 6 people would be required, the Date is Dec 7th 1991. Ken will be contacting members for assistance.

Dennis reported on the Theory and Code classes, Gary VE7FZZ is doing an excellent job with the theory and regs with an average of 17 trainees in the class. Dennis VE7DK is giving CW practice at the school and his residence to about 12. Most trainees are doing well.

VE7DK reported on the Flea Market. 27 tables were used and the attendance was approx. 300. A good profit was shown and thanks were offered to all who helped out. some changes are anticipated for next time.

Articles were requested for the "Communicator" but nothing appeared to be forthcoming. Remember the "Communicator" is only as good as the articles received so please try to submit something, no matter how small!

The programme for the next Technical meeting was announced. The S.S.R.G. Repeater will be available for inspection by the attendees.

Coffee Break.

Howie VE7CNW conducted his usual raffle, the winner was Scott VE7KAT. Vic VE7CON asked for input re Club name tags several members showed interest.

With reference to the upcoming Christmas Party, Scott VE7KAT reported that 27 People had shown interest in attending and that preparations

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were going well.

Dennis VE7DK reported on prices for magnetic signs, it seems that all suppliers have similar pricing, approx \$75.00 per pair.

He also reported on the request for info on vests to be used when members are on communication projects for the Club, there appeared to be little further interest in this matter.

With regard to the above vests, Jack VE7FJP moved that: S.A.R.C. not participate in Special Events where our members are asked to perform traffic Control duty. Harold VE7BXT who seconded the motion mentioned that there were several problems at the White Rock Festival recently, and although members were not called upon to control traffic as part of our involvement, he thought that the wearing of vests would imply that our members were Event Officials. This very valid point was discussed and all members agreed with the motion.

George VE7AZK moved that the club purchase magnetic signs for use by our members during special events. The motion was seconded by Jack VE7IIA.. The motion carried.

Following a motion by Vic VE7CON the meeting closed at 2110 hrs..

XMAS PARTY

Don't forget the Xmas bash.

Wednesday December 4th is the latest to confirm your intention to attend and to pay. The cost is \$16.00 per person and the tickets available total 48 and approx 90% are taken. It promises to be an enjoyable evening and don't you think that you should give your partner a break and take her/him. The meal promises to be a good one, there will be gifts and prizes and Gary VE7FZZ is working on something which sounds as if it will be fun. The DATE IS SATURDAY DECEMBER 14th, LOCATION THE ELKS HALL GEORGE ST. WHITE ROCK. John VE7JGR and Scott VE7KAT are organizing the event and are willing to accept your reservations and of course your money.

MEETINGS

The following dates should be marked on your calendars as MOST IMPORTANT. The meeting nights of the S.A.R.C.

DEC 4th, DEC 18th, JAN 8th, 1992. JAN 15th, FEB 5th, FEB 19th, MAR 4th, MAR 25th, APRIL 1st, APRIL 15th, MAY 6th, MAY 20th, JUNE 3rd, and JUNE 17th. If we can stir up enough interest we hope to have a "HOME-BREW" night at the Feb 5th, meeting please let us know your thoughts on this type of programme. If any member has any ideas for upcoming meetings let's know about it!

As mentioned at the last meeting we received a donation from the Rotary Club this amount will be used toward the purchase of the magnetic signs for the vehicles

used during Special Events.

On page 3 we mentioned the Panel of "experts" who will attempt to answer any of your Queries. We have several Questions that were submitted but we are always looking for more. If you have a question relating generally to the hobby please submit it in writing to the executive, (no ID is required) and it will be answered!

PREZ SEZ

I have been noticing with much dismay the deterioration of the operating practices of many hams both locally and across the Country. Of course there is little that I can do to correct the problem but perhaps we should look at our own operations on the bands. Some of the things that are apparent are the use of weird phonetics, such as seven dumb kids, instead of seven delta kilo. Delta kilo can be recognized world wide while the other may not be. Other things that come to mind are missing your Prefix when calling such as "DK here". We were all issued a full call sign and we are supposed to use the whole thing. Remember that Ham Radio communications are not conducted on a private line but that others are listening to our chatter, it really does not sound good when we hear phrases like, "Good numbers to you ole buddy" and "Rogers on that". Words that seem to be creeping in from other operating bands. We should all try to use standard every-day language and phrases and try to stay away from smart phonetics etc. Remember that the number 73, meaning "Best Wishes" is already plural and saying 73s is really saying "Best Wisheseseseseseseseses"! It now seems fairly common practice for some to use profanity, Hell. Damn. God and many other stronger words may not necessarily upset you but could upset or insult the person you are talking with or the persons who may be listening. It is very easy to become sloppy in operating procedures and to fall into the trap of mimicking others you hear, too often I hear the use of "Q" signals being used on phone. We all know that "Q" signals are for use on CW and one really should not complain of being "QRMed" or answer each exchange with "QSL on that" and many, many more. It takes work to attain a good operating manner but it is worth it and I'm sure that others will appreciate it. The foregoing is just the opinion of an old timer take it or leave it but PLEASE think about it.

VY 73 DE VE7DK.